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Ms. Janet Feldstein U.S. EPA Region II Site Compliance Branch 26 Federal Plaza, Room 747 New York, N.Y. 10278

SUBJECT: START OF FIELD ACTIVITIES ON POP REV. NOS. 8 AND 9

Dear Ms. Feldstein,

Gerry Coscia of Dames and Moore reported to me on December 20, 1988 that their efforts to start drilling shallow off-site monitoring wells (POP Rev. #8) on December 19, 1988 were thwarted when the city water supply could not be put in service. Elizabethtown Water Company came to open the water supply valves, but shut them back off due to "numerous leaks." Gerry's attempts to get a plumber were made more difficult because of both the holidays and hunting season. The driller was held on standby for several days, but was released on December 21, 1988 for the holidays. Repairs to the water line are being completed now.

To get back on schedule, we have programmed two rigs to go to the site on January 3, 1989. One will start to drill the off-site shallow wells, as originally planned. The other will drill the bedrock aquifer well on-site.

Very truly yours,

H. G. Weil

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